
Housing Committee

HB 2718

Brief Description: Regulating manufactured home parks or manufactured housing communities.

Sponsors: Representatives Morris, Holmquist, O'Brien, Miloscia and Schindler.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Exempts manufactured home parks and housing communities from the criteria considerations within the definition of designated manufactured home.

Hearing Date: 1/26/06

Staff: Robyn Dupuis (786-7166).

Background:

In 2004, SB 6593 was enacted to prohibit cities, towns, code cities and counties from enacting any statutes or ordinances that have the effect of discriminating against consumer choice in the placement or use of a home that does not apply equally to all homes, including manufactured homes. The bill, however, also outlined a number of criteria the local jurisdiction could impose on manufactured homes, including that they be new, be set on a permanent foundation, meet other local design standards, and meet the definition of a "designated manufactured home" as defined in RCW 35.63.160, which includes the following criteria:

- a) constructed after June 15, 1976;
- b) comprised of at least two fully enclosed panels;
- c) has a composition, wood shake or shingle, coated metal or similar roof of at least 3:12 pitch; and
- d) has exterior siding similar to site-built homes.

This bill applies throughout the local jurisdiction.

Summary of Bill:

The definitions of "designated manufactured home", "new manufactured home" do not apply to homes within a manufactured home park or manufactured housing community.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.